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2. [redacted] learned that the Sophienhaus in Weimar (N 51/J 57) had been derequisitioned by the Soviets. The cost for rebuilding the hospital was estimated at about 500,000 eastmarks. The academy (sic) and the officers' quarters were moved to the so-called Weimarhalle and the vocational school in the block bounded by Karl-Liebknecht-Strasse and Stalinstrasse. The previous officers quarters on Schmuetzenstrasse has become a HO hotel and a German motion picture theatre. (2) On 1 October, a train of boxcars with stove pipes was seen arriving at the Weimar railroad station from an easterly direction. Soviet soldiers were seen in the small windows of the boxcars. (3) On 4 October, apartments on Schubertstrasse were requisitioned for the Soviet commandantura. [redacted] the load capacity of all bridges in Zoltz (N 52/K 06) were tested and that some of the bridges were subsequently reinforced between 14 and 23 September.

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3. Some of the troops stationed in Riesa (N 52/E 81) returned to the post by 16 October. The Ludra Kaserne on Heinrich-Heine-Strasse was about 80 percent occupied. A large number of tanks, possibly 200, and including three with [redacted] and an undetermined number of trucks of the [redacted] in the billeting area. The Von-der-Zoltz Kaserne on Breitscheidstrasse was about 50 percent occupied.

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4. On 13 and 14 October, 30 model M-13 rocket launchers [redacted] T-34/85 tanks and 8 JS-1 tanks were entrained in Cottbus (N 52/A 57). (2) Seventeen model M-13 rocket launchers and about 30 trucks were entrained there on 15 and 16 October. After 3:40 p.m. on 23 October, 26 trucks and 38 tank trucks [redacted] were detrained in Cottbus and moved to the [redacted]

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Alvensleben Kaserne on Karl-Liebknecht-Strasse. At [redacted] on 24 October, 36 JS tanks, and 12 tank trucks [redacted] were detrained at [redacted] Disson-chen Kaserne.

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5. At noon on 22 October, a convoy of 12 trucks towing [redacted] artillery pieces was seen entering the Alvensleben Kaserne, Cottbus. [redacted] trucks were [redacted]

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6. At about 11 a.m. on 22 October, an artillery unit with eight model-38 122-mm field howitzers, several trucks, [redacted]

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[redacted] was seen entering the Alvensleben Kaserne, Cottbus. An artillery unit with 12 x 122-mm field guns and 15 trucks, [redacted] was detrained at the Cottbus rail-road station at about 3 p.m. At about 6 p.m. on that day, another artillery unit with six trucks towing model-38 122-mm field howitzers moved through Cottbus. (6)

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8. At about 9 a.m. on 24 October, 35 tank trucks and 15 trucks with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets passed through Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) coming from the direction of Neumark and proceeding toward Trouenbrietzen.

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[redacted] (8) Many other convoys of motor vehicles, including some loaded with billeting equipment, were seen during that day and the following night.

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[redacted] Boxes and billeting equipment were piled up on the loading ramp of Werdor on 25 October. (9)

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Field Comments.

- (1) [redacted] is probably assigned to a unit at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. 25X1C [redacted] was reported from the Berlin area in 1949 and 1950 and was mentioned in vouchers of the newspaper Taegliche Rundschau in 1951. [redacted] 25X1C [redacted] was twice reported from Bischofswerda in 1947.

- (2) The academy is probably the name for the previous officer training courses in the Goethe Schule. Reports on the movement of these course have been conflicting.

- (3) The train probably carried recruits from the U.S.S.R.

- (4) Several reports received to date mentioned the departure of the 9th Tank Div from the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds. [redacted]

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[redacted] confirm the arrival of units in Riesa, while another report confirms the simultaneous arrival of units in Oschatz.

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- (5) [redacted]

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